

2010 State Damage Prevention Program Grants Progress Report
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Project Title: North Carolina Utilities Commission State Damage Prevention

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Specific Objective(s) of the Agreement

Locator Training

Under this grant agreement, the North Carolina Utilities Commission will conduct locator training publish a Safety and Damage Prevention Magazine and hold public awareness damage prevention meetings. These programs are designed by the North Carolina One-Call Center to promote usage of the 811 Call Before You Dig number, to promote the current State statute, and to promote future amendment of the State statute.

Workscope

Element (1): Participation by operators, excavators, and other stakeholders in the development and implementation of methods for establishing and maintaining effective communications between stakeholders from receipt of an excavation notification until successful completion of the excavation, as appropriate.

Element (2): A process for fostering and ensuring the support and partnership of stakeholders, including excavators, operators, locators, designers, and local government in all phases of the program.

Element (4): Participation by operators, excavators, and other stakeholders in the development and implementation of effective employee training to ensure that operators, the one call center, the enforcing agency, and the excavators have partnered to design and implement training for the employees of the operators, excavators, and locators.

Accomplishments for this period (Item 1 under Article IX, Section 9.01 Progress Report: “A comparison of actual accomplishments to the objectives established for the period.”)

Locator Training is scheduled for August 17, 18, 19, 2010. Three locations were chosen in order to allow attendees to attend from various locations in the state. Training is being held in the Eastern part of the state, the central region, and the western part of the state.

[How are you progressing on each of the items/elements provided in the “Specific Objectives” and “Workscope”? Start with an overall description followed by item-by-item or element-by-element detail if possible.]

Quantifiable Metrics/Measures of Effectiveness (Item 2 under Article IX, Section 9.01 Project Report: “Where the output of the project can be quantified, a computation of the cost per unit of output.”)

Locator training is being offered to multiple stakeholder groups, including Municipalities, Private Locating Firms and Landscaping Contractors.

[This is difficult to explain across the board, but we’re trying to get a gauge for how effective this grant work is in improving your program. If your grant is more data oriented, you likely had some sort of metrics in mind to improve upon. If so, what were those metrics and how is the data looking now compared to when the program started? If you’re doing something along the lines of enforcement that involves incident review, how many cases have you been able to review/close and/or fines collected compared to before the grant work? If you pitched something more along the lines of public awareness, to how many stakeholders have you been able to reach? Even if you don’t have the metrics fully defined, put whatever you can here.]

Issues, Problems or Challenges (Item 3 under Article IX, Section 9.01 Project Report: “The reasons for slippage if established objectives were not met. “)

We have not encountered any major issues with this project and we are on schedule to complete this project by end of August 2010.

[If the project is progressing on schedule, simply state that there are no issues, problems or challenge to report. If there have been delays for any reason, explain what they are and how that may impact the grant work. For instance, with some States, even after an agreement is in place, it has to be sent back to the Governor’s office for approval, which takes more time than originally anticipated. Even if work begins right away after the agreement is in place, other delays can be caused by personnel changes or simply having a better understanding of the effort required once the work is underway.]

Mid-term Financial Status Report

**The only costs spent to date for this project is the purchase of the supplies for the training:
Supplies: \$2,872.37**

Contractual: 0

Other: 0

The Contractual Costs will be paid at the conclusion of the Training.

The Other costs will be paid at the conclusion of the Training.

[Per the instructions in Article IX, Section 9.03 of your agreement (included below), the financial status report should go to the Agreement Administrator (AA). For this section of the progress report, simply state “The mid-term financial report has been sent as a separate attachment to the AA.”. However, if there are any issues with the Financial Status Report or additional explanation is needed, please provide that information here. If there are any delays for whatever reasons, these should be communicated to the AA and AOTR in advance.

From Article IX, Section 9.03 of your agreement: “During the performance of the grant, the Grantee must submit a mid-term Financial Status Report, Standard Form 425 (SF-425), to report the status of funds. In addition to SF-425, the Grantee should provide the break down of costs for each object class category (Personnel, Fringe Benefits, Travel, Equipment, Supplies,

Contractual, Other, and Indirect Charges). This report must be submitted to the AA in electronic form via e-mail no later than [refer to your agreement for date. ”]

Plans for Next Period (Remainder of Grant)

This project will complete on time and on schedule.

[In most cases, this section should just mention your plans for the remainder of the project. However, if you need to change the work scope at all for any reason, including whether you need to modify, remove, or add items, please explain.]

Requests of the AOTR and/or PHMSA

No action at this time.

[In most cases, any questions or actions requested of the AOTR and PHMSA (such as grant modifications in anyway) should have been addressed in advance of filing the report. If this is the case, simply state “No actions requested at this time” or explain any actions that are currently in process. However, if something has come up recently, or if you haven’t been able to discuss with the AOTR yet, please describe here.]